

Election polls. SEC. 2. That said election shall be held at the different places in the cities and counties, as now provided by law, in this State, and according to the Constitution and existing laws governing elections in this State, so far as applicable, and the returning officers shall make their returns in the manner, and to the persons, as now provided by law.

1869-70—CHAPTER XXII.

[Enacted Dec. 1, 1869.]

Voters to ballot in their own districts. SECTION 1. That all voters in this State shall be required to vote in the civil district or ward in which they may reside. Any person violating this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall not be fined less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars: *Provided*, that Sheriffs and other officers holding elections shall be permitted to vote at any ward or precinct in which they may hold an election.

Sheriffs excepted.

Deadly or dangerous weapons. SEC. 2. That it shall not be lawful for any qualified voter or other person attending any election in this State, or for any person attending any fair, race course, or other public assembly of the people, to carry about his person, concealed or otherwise, any pistol, dirk, Bowie-knife, Arkansas tooth-pick, or weapon in form, shape, or size resembling a Bowie-knife or Arkansas tooth-pick, or other deadly or dangerous weapon.

Penalty. SEC. 3. That all persons convicted under the second section of this act shall be punished by fine of not less than fifty dollars, and by imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Saloons to be closed. SEC. 4. That no liquor shop in this State shall be kept open on election days, nor shall any person, on said days, give or sell intoxicating liquors to any person for any purpose at or near an election ground.¹

Powers of grand jury. SEC. 5. That the grand juries of this State shall have inquisitorial powers concerning the commission of the offenses created by these acts, and may send for witnesses, as in cases of gaming, illegal voting, tippling, and offenses now prescribed by law.

Duty of the judges. SEC. 6. That it shall be the duty of the Circuit and Criminal Judges of this State to give the above in special charge to the several grand juries of the courts.

No exemption from execution. SEC. 7. That there shall be no property exempt from execution for fines and costs for this offense: *Provided*, that if from any cause, there should be a failure to hold an election in any civil district or ward, then nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent any voter from voting in

Failure to open poll.

¹See the act next following.